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Mark,

We were also expecting EPA write up on Acceptability Criteria. Your email, summarizing the dispute resolution items, states that this write up will be sent by 01/20/2017. Please let us know when we can expect this. Thanks,

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Jim,

During our January 11, 2017 Newtown Creek Draft BERA dispute resolution meeting, it was discussed that EPA would like the white perch fillet data from the BHHRA included in the BERA. At the end of that meeting, it was requested by AQ that EPA forward written instruction for the disposition of the data.

Because a low number of white perch were collected, and the tissue data is from fillet instead of whole body, the white perch tissue does not need to be included as a quantitative line of evidence in the BERA. However, EPA would like the fillet data included in a qualitative comparison that includes the striped bass fillet data. The purpose of the comparison is to qualitatively determine whether the perch and bass accumulate COPECs at similar levels.

The additional EPA action item on the reference area acceptability criteria write-up is pending discussions with other stakeholders, and will be provided shortly.

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